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Man Who Barricaded Himself in Santa Monica Apartment Charged with Murder

A 28-year-old pleaded not guilty to a charge that he killed a man outside of a South Los Angeles hamburger restaurant, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Steven Gates said David Carrillo (dob 6/8/86) entered the plea to one count of murder with an allegation that he used a knife to commit the murder in case YA092058.

Carrillo is due to return on April 21 to Department 5 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Inglewood Branch. Carrillo was charged on Feb. 24.

Carrillo is accused of fatally stabbing Wesley Morejon, 30, with a folding knife outside of the fast food restaurant on the 8900 block of Vermont Ave on Feb. 10, the prosecutor said.

The defendant was arrested on Feb. 21 with the help of a Los Angeles County Sheriff's police dog after he barricaded himself inside a Santa Monica apartment for nearly five hours, the prosecutor added.

Carrillo faces a maximum possible sentence of life in state prison if convicted as charged.

Bail is set at more than \$1 million.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.